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-against-	: AMENDED
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Defendants.	: : X

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Charles Schwab & Co., Inc., The Charles Schwab Corporation, UST Securities Corp., United States Trust Company of New York, and U.S. Trust Corporation. (The Charles Schwab Corporation was the parent company of Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. and U.S. Trust Corporation. U.S. Trust Corporation was the parent company of UST Securities Corp. and United States Trust Company of New York.)

- 5. On September 10, 2001, defendant, LUBY signed a written agreement dated September 6, 2001 with plaintiff.
- 6. Under the September 6, 2001 agreement, defendant, LUBY agreed to pay plaintiff, among other things, its hourly fees for the first \$20,000 of billings, and at 75% of plaintiff's hourly rates thereafter, with a cap of \$48,000 on hourly fees if plaintiff commenced an arbitration or litigation on his behalf, as well as contingency fees on amounts recovered after the commencement of litigation.
- 7. On September 11, 2001, defendant GARRETT, signed a written agreement dated September 6, 2001 with plaintiff.
- 8. Under the September 6, 2001 agreement, defendant, GARRETT, agreed to pay plaintiff, among other things, its hourly fees for the first \$30,000 of billings, and at 75% of plaintiff's hourly rates thereafter, with a cap of \$72,000 on hourly fees if plaintiff commenced an arbitration or litigation on his behalf, as well as contingency fees on amounts recovered after the commencement of litigation.

- 9. On November 16, 2001 agreement, defendant, LUBY, signed a written supplemental agreement dated November 16, 2001 with plaintiff.
- 10. Under the November 16, 2001 agreement, defendant, LUBY, agreed to pay plaintiff 10% of all amounts recovered before the commencement of an arbitration or other litigation, with the total of plaintiff's fees under this provision plus plaintiff's hourly fees under the September 6, 2001 agreement not to exceed 15% of the recovery. The agreement provided that, if plaintiff was due a contingency fee under its terms, "we will agree that such percentage shall be allocated, between this firm and Rogin, Nassau, pro rata based upon the number of hours recorded, but only with regard to work they do at our request, or that we agree has added value or obviated our need to do the same work."
- 11. On November 23, 2001, defendant, GARRETT, signed a written supplemental agreement dated November 16, 2001 with plaintiff.
- 12. Under the November 16, 2001 agreement, defendant, GARRETT, agreed to pay plaintiff 10% of all amounts recovered before the commencement of an arbitration or other litigation with the total of plaintiff's fees under this provision plus plaintiff's hourly fees under the September 6, 2001 agreement not to exceed 15% of the recovery. The agreement provided that, if plaintiff was due a contingency fee under its terms, "we will agree that such percentage shall be allocated, between this firm and Rogin, Nassau, pro rata based upon the

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- 13. Plaintiff thereafter rendered extensive legal services on defendants' behalf including, among other things, representing defendants in a mediation, performing legal research and drafting a statement of claim to commence an arbitration.
- 14. Plaintiff mailed bills to defendant, LUBY, on September 20, 2001, October 3, 2001, November 14, 2001, December 10, 2001 and January 10, 2002 for \$19,554.10 in fees and \$1,865.40 in expenses, for a total of \$21,419.50.
- 15. Defendant, LUBY, neither questioned nor challenged these bills upon receiving them, and paid them.
- 16. Plaintiff mailed bills to defendant, GARRETT, on September 19, 2001, October 2, 2001, November 8, 2001, December 10, 2001, and January 10, 2002 for \$20,158.85 in fees and \$41,898.33 in expenses, for a total of \$22,057.18.
- 17. Defendant, GARRETT, made no payments towards these bills, but neither questioned nor challenged these bills upon receiving them.
- 18. On February 7, 2002, defendants met with attorneys from plaintiff at plaintiff's offices.

- 19. During the February 7, 2002 meeting defendants, LUBY and GARRETT, terminated or constructively terminated plaintiff's representation of them.
- 20. Plaintiff informed defendants LUBY and GARRETT that they were still responsible for the attorneys fees under their contract and that plaintiff would still be entitled to receive a percentage of any amounts recovered (attached hereto as Exhibit E is a letter to both defendants dated February 8, 2002).
- 21. On February 8, 2002, plaintiff mailed a bill to defendant, GARRETT for an additional \$16,893.89 in fees and \$533.96 in expenses, for a total outstanding balance of \$39,485.03.
- 22. On February 8, 2002, plaintiff mailed a bill to defendant LUBY for an additional \$13,704.55 in fees and \$533.95 in expenses, for a total outstanding balance of \$14,238.50.
- 23. Plaintiff sent defendant, GARRETT, a bill on March 6, 2002 reflecting additional expenses and a refund of certain expenses, reducing his total balance to \$38,934.26. His fees totaled \$37,052.74 and his expenses totaled \$1,881.52, for a grand total and outstanding balance of \$38,934.26, of which he never paid anything.

- 24. Plaintiff sent defendant, LUBY, a bill on March 7, 2002 reflecting additional expenses and a refund of certain expenses, reducing his total balance to \$13,687.72. His fees totaled \$33,258.65 and his expenses totaled \$1,848.57, for a grand total of \$35,107.22, of which his total outstanding unpaid balance was \$13,687.72.
- 25. Upon information and belief, in or about July 2002, defendants settled their dispute and were paid substantial sums.
 - 26. Defendants never paid plaintiff any additional fees or expenses.
- 27. Notwithstanding plaintiff's demand for payment, and defendants' agreement to pay plaintiff, defendants have failed or refused to pay plaintiff for the services rendered.

AS AND FOR A FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(QUANTUM MERUIT)

- 28. Plaintiff hereby realleges paragraphs 1 through 25 as if fully set forth herein.
- 29. Defendant, GARRETT, is liable to plaintiff in quantum meruit for the legal services rendered based on, among other things, the hourly fees owed to plaintiff by

defendant, GARRETT, and the amount that the contingency fees would be under defendant, GARRETT's retainer agreement.

AS AND FOR A SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

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- 30. Plaintiff hereby realleges paragraphs 1 through 25 as if fully set forth herein.
- 31. Defendant, LUBY, is liable to plaintiff in quantum meruit for the legal services rendered based on, among other things, the hourly fees owed to plaintiff by defendant, LUBY, and the amount that the contingency fees would be under defendant, LUBY's retainer agreement.

AS AND FOR A THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

(BREACH OF CONTRACT)

32. Plaintiff hereby realleges paragraphs 1 through 25 as if fully set forth herein.

33. Defendant, GARRETT's acts continue a breach of contractual obligations to plaintiff whereby plaintiff has been damaged in the amount of \$38,934.26, and the amount that the contingency fees would be under defendant, GARRETT's retainer agreement.

AS AND FOR A FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Breach of Contract)

- 34. Plaintiff hereby realleges paragraphs 1 through 25 as if fully set forth herein.
- 35. Defendant, LUBY's acts constitute a breach of contractual obligations to plaintiff whereby plaintiff has been damaged in the amount of \$13,687.72, and the amount that the contingency fees would be under defendant, LUBY's retainer agreement.

AS AND FOR A FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Account Stated)

- 36. Plaintiff hereby alleges paragraphs 1 through 25 as if fully set forth herein.
- 37. Regular monthly account statements have been sent to defendant, GARRETT, for legal services at the time those services were performed, for \$38,924.26.
- 38. Defendant, GARRETT, is liable to plaintiff for an account stated for the legal services in the amount of \$38,934.26.

AS AN FOR A SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Account Stated)

- 39. Plaintiff hereby alleges paragraphs 1 through 25 as if fully set forth herein.
- 40. Regular monthly account statements have been sent to defendant, LUBY, for legal services at the time those services were performed, for \$35,107.22, of which his outstanding unpaid balance is \$13,687.72.
- 41. Defendant, LUBY, is liable to plaintiff for an account stated for the legal services rendered in the amount of \$13,687.72.
- 42. WHEREFORE, plaintiff, LIDDLE & ROBINSON, L.L.P., demands judgment against the defendant as follows:
- (i) On the first cause of action against defendant, GARRETT, in an amount to be determined, together with pre-judgment interest, and the costs of this action;
- (ii) On the second cause of action against defendant, LUBY, in an amount to be determined, together with pre-judgment interest, and the costs of this action;
- (iii) On the third cause of action against defendant, GARRETT, in the amount to be determined, together with pre-judgment interest, and the costs of this action;

- (iv) On the fourth cause of action, against defendant, LUBY, in the amount to be determined, together with pre-judgment interest, and the costs of this action;
- (v) On the fifth cause of action, against defendant, GARRETT, in the amount of \$38,934.26, together with pre-judgment interest, and the costs of this action.
- (vi) On the sixth cause of action, against defendant, LUBY, in the amount of \$13,687.72, together with pre-judgment interest, and the costs of this action; and
 - (vii) Such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

Dated: May 21, 2008

New York, New York

LIDDLE & ROBINSON, L.L.P.

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September 6, 2001

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Re:

U.S. Trust Corporation; United States Trust Company of New York; The Charles Schwab Corporation; Charles Schwab & Co., Inc.; Strategic Trading

Dear Jay:

This will confirm our fee agreement regarding our representation of you in the above-referenced matter.

You will pay us the amounts set forth below.

- (1) All disbursements, on a current basis as billed. Disbursements include, but are not limited to, filing fees, travel and lodging expenses, court reporter costs, photocopying, facsimile charges, fees for computerized legal research, long distance telephone charges, and postage (and you shall be directly responsible for any forum fees, mediation fees and expert witness fees); and
- (2) Our fees, on a current basis as billed, calculated on an hourly basis in accordance with our regular hourly rates (see attached schedule) for the first \$20,000 of billings, and at 75% of regular hourly rates thereafter. If we commence an arbitration or litigation in court, our hourly fees will be capped at \$48,000 (our hourly fees incurred prior to the commencement of an arbitration or litigation in court will count towards the cap); and
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Mr. Jay F. Luby

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Dear Messrs. Garrett and Luby:

It is clear from our meeting yesterday that you have in fact, or constructively, terminated our representation of you. It is obvious that our relationship is now untenable, and that your conduct toward me and this firm, "complaints" and "concerns," is predicated on a desire to avoid your responsibilities under your fee arrangement with us. Moreover, we were shocked that Paul Zolan, Esq. had apparently made a separate fee arrangement with you. I have personally brought to bear 25 plus years of experience, relationships and knowledge of the parties and their counsel for your benefit. Apparently, with much of this in place you may think you can dispense with us. I have learned to be disappointed with people over the years, but this is certainly a situation I will not forget.

I have enclosed our bills for the time we have spent through yesterday, exclusive of our performance fee.

LIDDLE & ROBINSON, L.L.P.

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February 8, 2002

In addition, of course, our agreements under which Liddle & Robinson receives a percentage of any amounts you recover, still stand.

We further note that, as we have discussed, Schwab/U.S. Trust has apparently indicated to the mediator, Steve Hochman, a willingness to settle for a high seven figure amount (we have speculated approximately \$7.5 million) and Mr. Hochman has indicated a willingness to make a mediator's proposal in the ballpark of \$13 to \$15 million, of course, based on the assumption that Liddle & Robinson would be representing you and that I would be trying the case.

Whatever course you now follow, please be advised that we are asserting our right to be paid. In that regard, we expect to be kept honestly, and completely, apprised of the progress in resolving these claims.

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Jeffiew L. Liddle

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cc: Paul Zolan, Esq.